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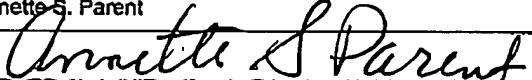
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Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed November 5, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the remarks.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4 and 6-8 are pending in the application and have been examined. The rejections are addressed below in the order raised by the November 5, 2001 Office Communication. All pending claims are provided in Appendix A for the Examiner's convenience.